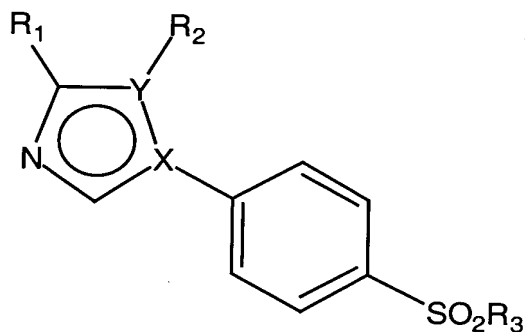


ABSTRACT

Compounds of formula I wherein: one of X or Y represents N and the other represents C; R₁ represents hydrogen, methyl, halogen, cyano, nitro, -CHO, -COCH₃ or -COOR₄; R₂ represents optionally-substituted aryl or heteroaryl; R₃ represents C₁₋₈ alkyl, C₁₋₈ haloalkyl or -NR₄R₆; R₄ represents hydrogen, C₁₋₈ alkyl or arylC₀₋₈ alkyl; R₆ represents hydrogen, C₁₋₈ alkyl, arylC₁₋₈ alkyl, -COR₈ or -COOR₈; R₈ represents C₁₋₈ alkyl or C₁₋₈ haloalkyl; aryl in the above definitions represents phenyl or naphthyl; and heteroaryl in the above definitions represents pyridine, pyrazine, pyrimidine or pyridazine, which can be optionally fused to a benzene ring. These compounds are useful as cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitors.



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